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Mr. Steven Castleman
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-R9-2018-006696

Dear Mr. Castleman:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request regarding all written reports, draft reports and/or any other written communications between the EPA and the US Navy concerning the radiological testing and remediation of potentially radioactive substances at the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPNS) in San Francisco California from January 1, 2017, through and including the date of this request, which was April 16, 2018.

Thank you for confirming by email on May 3, 2018, that "Greenaction requests that, to the extent that FOIA request EPA-R9-2018-006696 seeks emails, that portion of the FOIA request be held in abeyance until after EPA has provided the other documents sought, in the interest of expediting the production of those documents." We have already sent some of these responsive documents on May 16, 2018. Thank you for agreeing on May 10, 2018, to an extension to May 21, 2018, for delivering additional documents.

The most recent set of releasable documents responsive to your FOIA request have been uploaded to EPA's FOIA Online system found at:

https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home. To access the documents, reference your FOIA request as EPA-R9-2018-006696. Thank you for agreeing on May 21, 2018, that we will provide responsive videos, which are large files, via U.S. mail on a DVD and later onto the above website once they can be loaded.

We are unable to provide you with portions of one document, which have been determined to be exempt from mandatory disclosure by virtue of 5 U.S.C. 552(b) (7A). Two portions of the document named "HPNS TTEC EPA List Phase 2 Categories soil 2-27-2017 – Enforcement Confidential - Redacted" are withheld because they contain references to enforcement confidential material.

As you have agreed to hold in abeyance the email portion of your request, we will await further notice from you regarding that. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only). Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. If you are

submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90 calendar day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202)566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, 202-741-5770 or 1-877-684-6448; and facsimile, 202-741-5769.

If you have any questions, please contact Brianna Fairbanks of this office at 415-972-3907 or Fairbanks.brianna@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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